

Introduced by Senator Denham

February 18, 2005

An act to amend Section 1451 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 480, as introduced, Denham. Central Coast Veterans Cemetery: maintenance.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Corrections to contract with any political subdivision of the state to provide inmate work crews.

This bill would require the Director of Corrections to make available inmate work crews from Salinas Valley State Prison to perform ongoing maintenance to the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery in Monterey County.

Existing law requires the Department of Veterans Affairs, in cooperation with the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, to develop a master plan for the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery. All moneys received for the master plan is deposited in the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Master Development Fund.

This bill would provide that all moneys received for the maintenance of the cemetery shall be deposited in the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Maintenance Fund, which the bill would create. The bill would state that any state funding for the annual maintenance of the cemetery shall be appropriated by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Department of Corrections shall make available inmate work crews from Salinas Valley State Prison, pursuant to Section 2701 of the Penal Code, to perform ongoing maintenance to the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery in Monterey County.

SEC. 2. Section 1451 of the Military and Veterans Code is amended to read:

1451. (a) All moneys received for the master plan shall be deposited in the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Master Development Fund, which is hereby created in the State Treasury. Money appropriated from the fund to the Department of Veterans Affairs shall be used by the department for planning purposes, to determine the project costs, regional impact, need, and ongoing state liability, and to develop a master plan for a state-supported Central Coast Veterans Cemetery on the grounds of former Fort Ord in Monterey County.

(b) (1) *All moneys received for the maintenance of the cemetery shall be deposited in the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Maintenance Fund, which is hereby created in the State Treasury. Any state funding for the annual maintenance of the cemetery shall be appropriated by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act.*

(2) *It is estimated that, after the construction of the cemetery, ___ dollars(\$ __) should be appropriated annually by the state or Monterey County, or both, to the department for the operating costs of the cemetery.*

(3) *Expenditures for maintenance may not be more than ___ dollars (\$ __) per calendar year.*